

REMARKS

I. INTRODUCTION

In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2004, claim 14 has been amended. Claims 1-17 remain in the application. Entry of these amendments, and re-consideration of the application, as amended, is requested.

II. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Applicant's attorney respectfully requests that the above amendment to claim 14 be entered to correct a grammatical error. This amendment was made solely for the purpose of clarifying the language of the claim and to place it in better condition for appeal, and was not required for purposes of patentability.

III. TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

The Final Office Action rejected claim 1 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,598,788. The Applicant hereby submits a Terminal Disclaimer, rendering this rejection moot. The Applicant respectfully requests that this Terminal Disclaimer be entered.

IV. CONCLUSION

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is now in good order for allowance and such allowance is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to call Applicant's undersigned attorney.

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